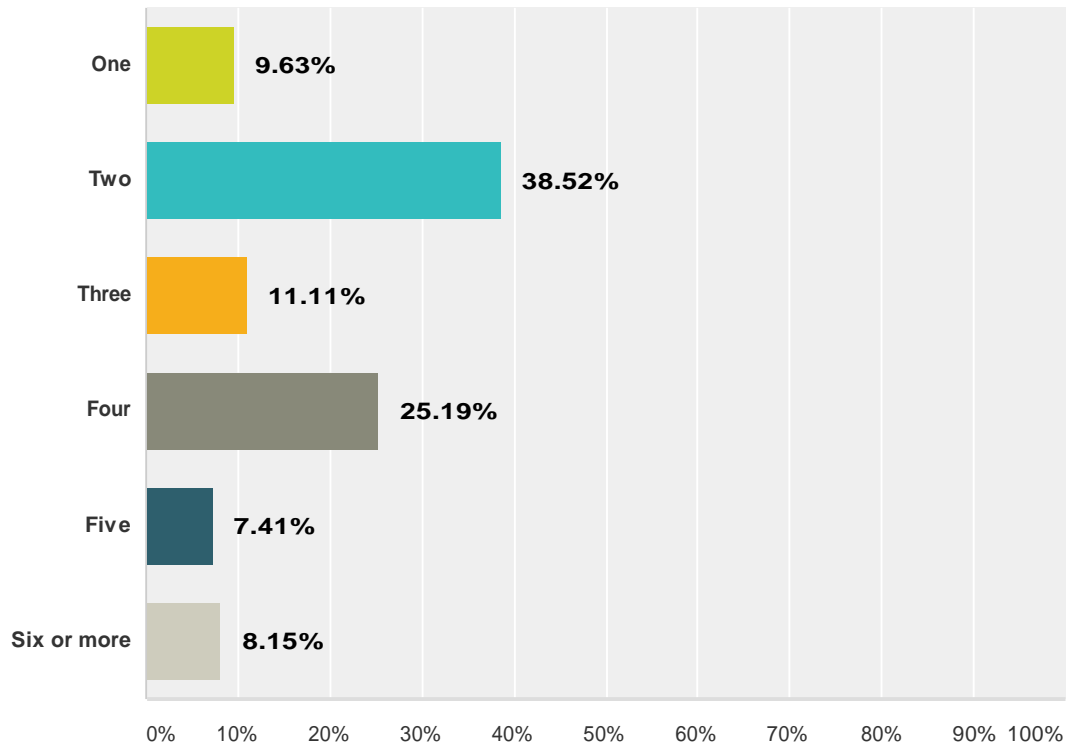


## Q1 Including yourself, how many persons are there in your family/household?

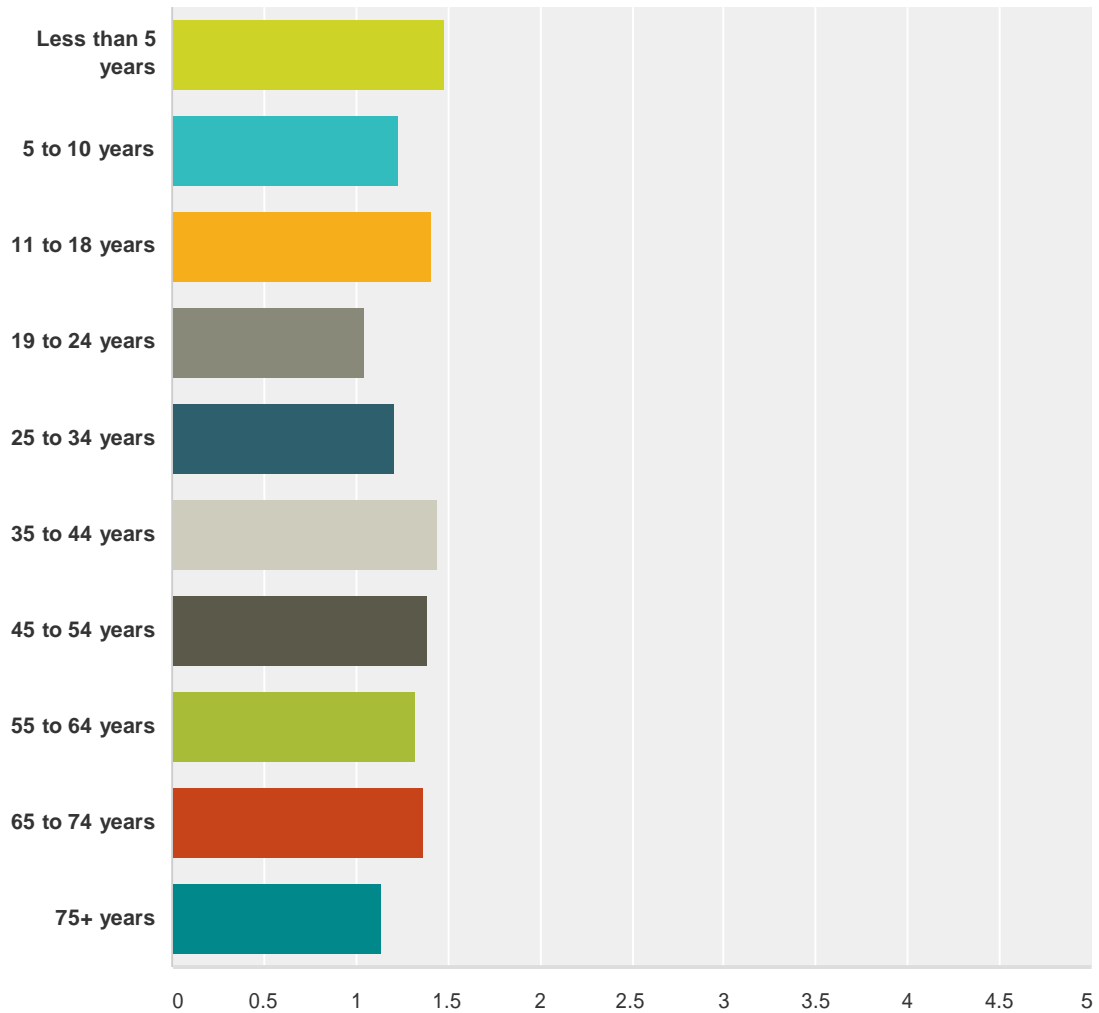
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Answer Choices	Responses	
One	9.63%	13
Two	38.52%	52
Three	11.11%	15
Four	25.19%	34
Five	7.41%	10
Six or more	8.15%	11
Total		135

## Q2 How many persons in your family are in each of the following age groups?

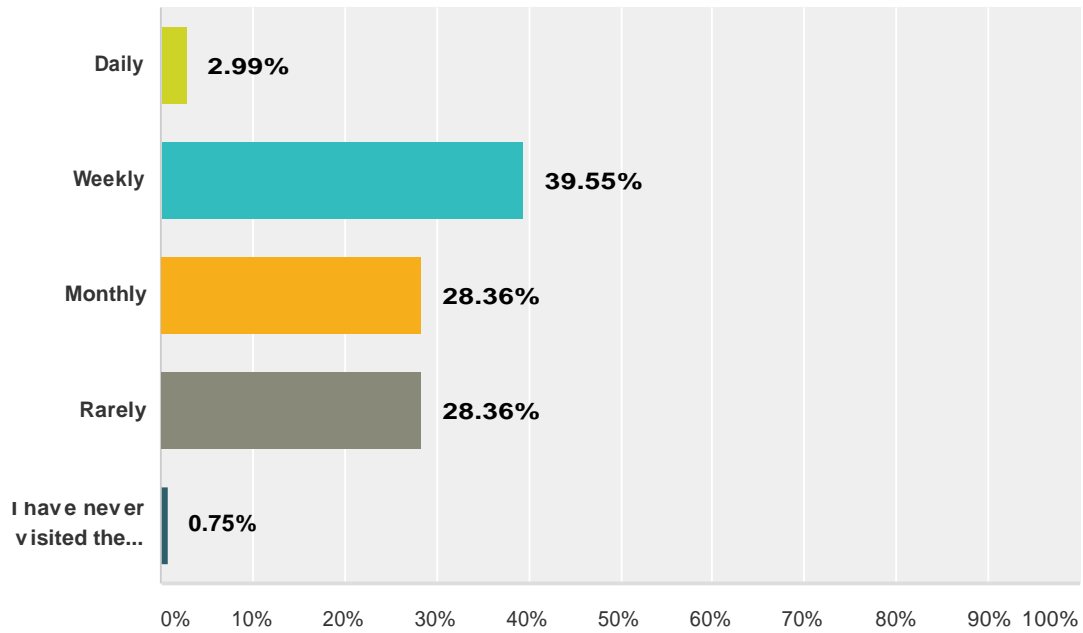
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Answer Choices	Average Number	Total Number	Responses
Less than 5 years	1	43	29
5 to 10 years	1	47	38
11 to 18 years	1	55	39
19 to 24 years	1	23	22
25 to 34 years	1	35	29
35 to 44 years	1	52	36
45 to 54 years	1	68	49
55 to 64 years	1	45	34
65 to 74 years	1	45	33
75+ years	1	25	22
Total Respondents: 140			

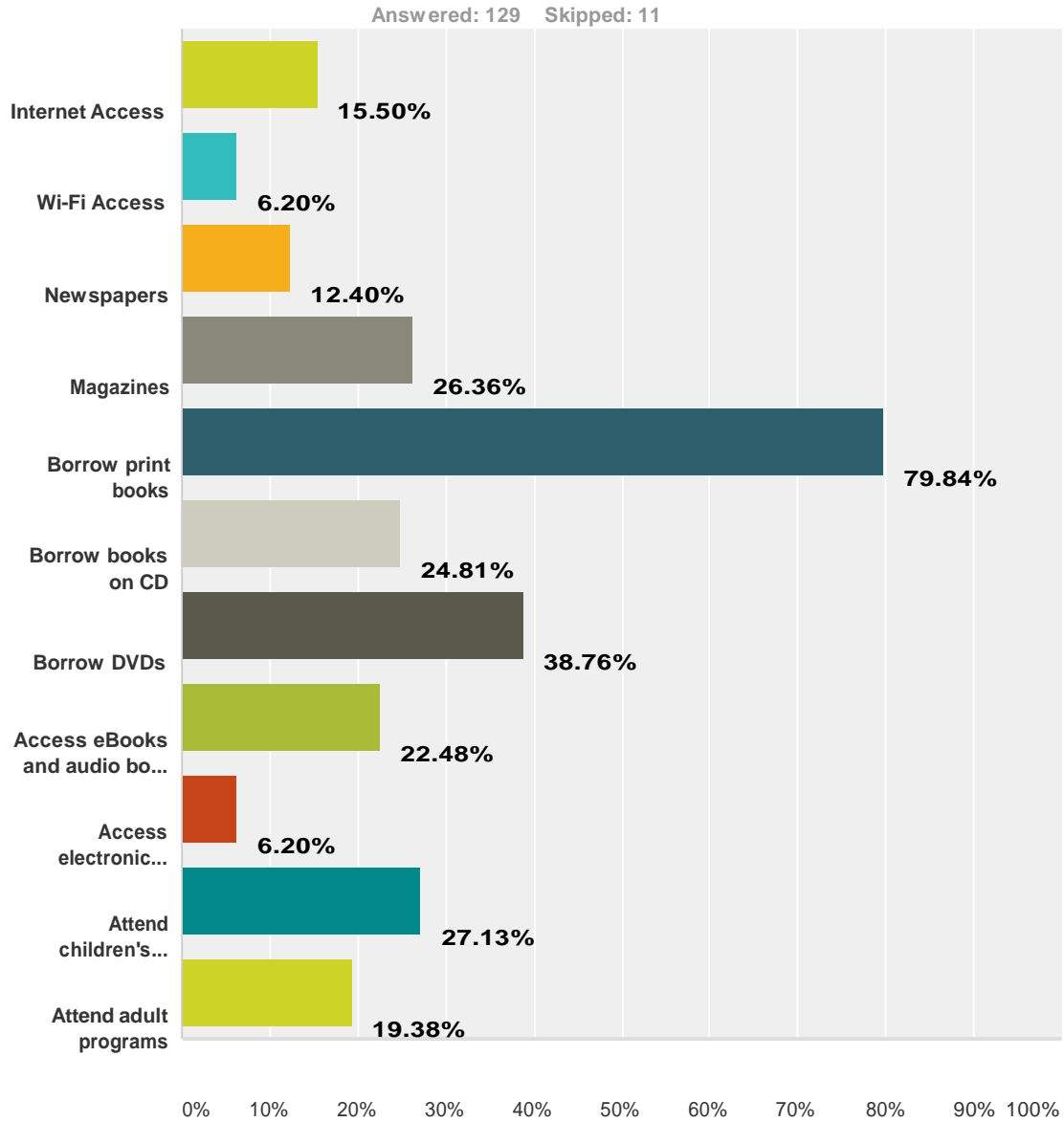
### Q3 How often do you visit Crete Public Library?

Answered: 134 Skipped: 6



Answer Choices	Responses	
Daily	2.99%	4
Weekly	39.55%	53
Monthly	28.36%	38
Rarely	28.36%	38
I have never visited the Crete Public Library.	0.75%	1
Total		134

## Q4 Please select your reasons for using Crete Public Library.

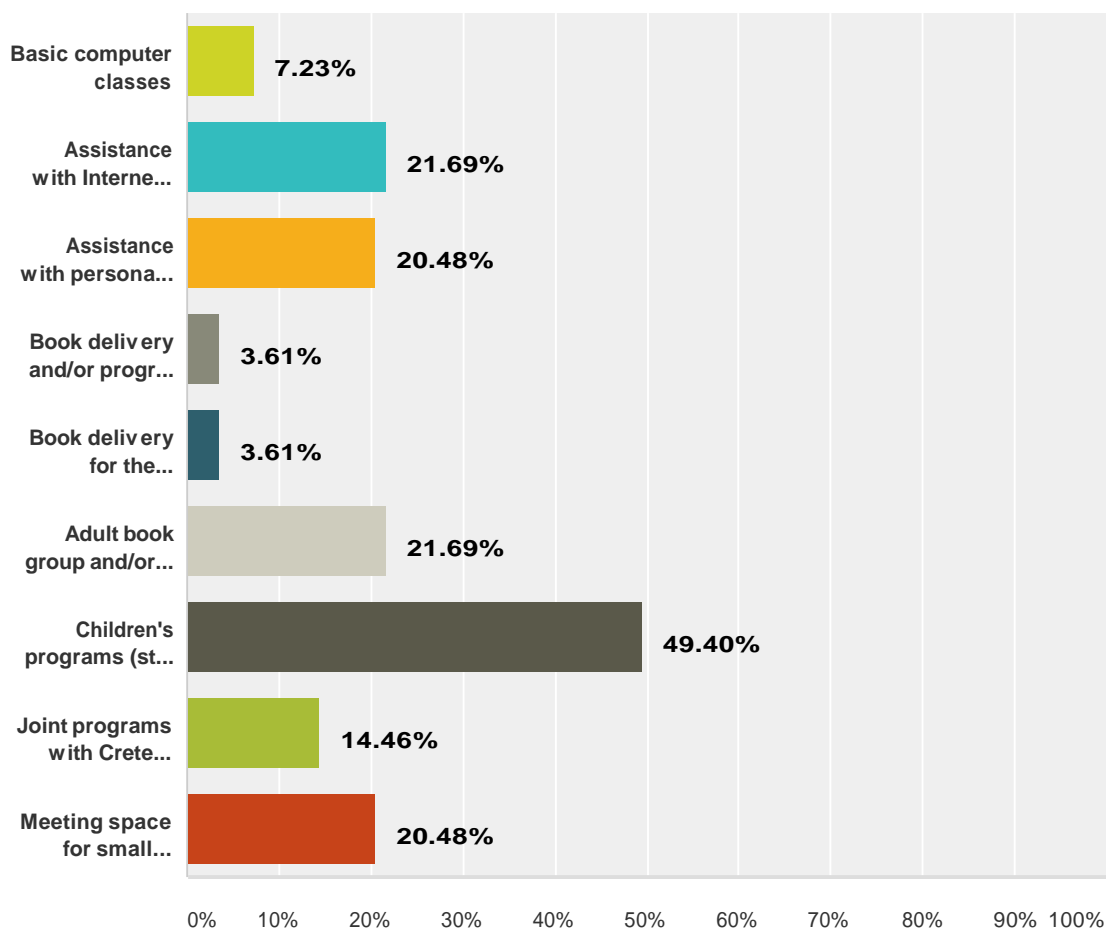


Question 4 - Continued

Answer Choices	Responses	
Internet Access	15.50%	20
Wi-Fi Access	6.20%	8
Newspapers	12.40%	16
Magazines	26.36%	34
Borrow print books	79.84%	103
Borrow books on CD	24.81%	32
Borrow DVDs	38.76%	50
Access eBooks and audio books for mobile devices (OverDrive)	22.48%	29
Access electronic databases (Ancestry Library, Mango, Ebsco)	6.20%	8
Attend children's programs	27.13%	35
Attend adult programs	19.38%	25
<b>Total Respondents: 129</b>		

## Q5 Which of these services have you or a family member used in the past year?

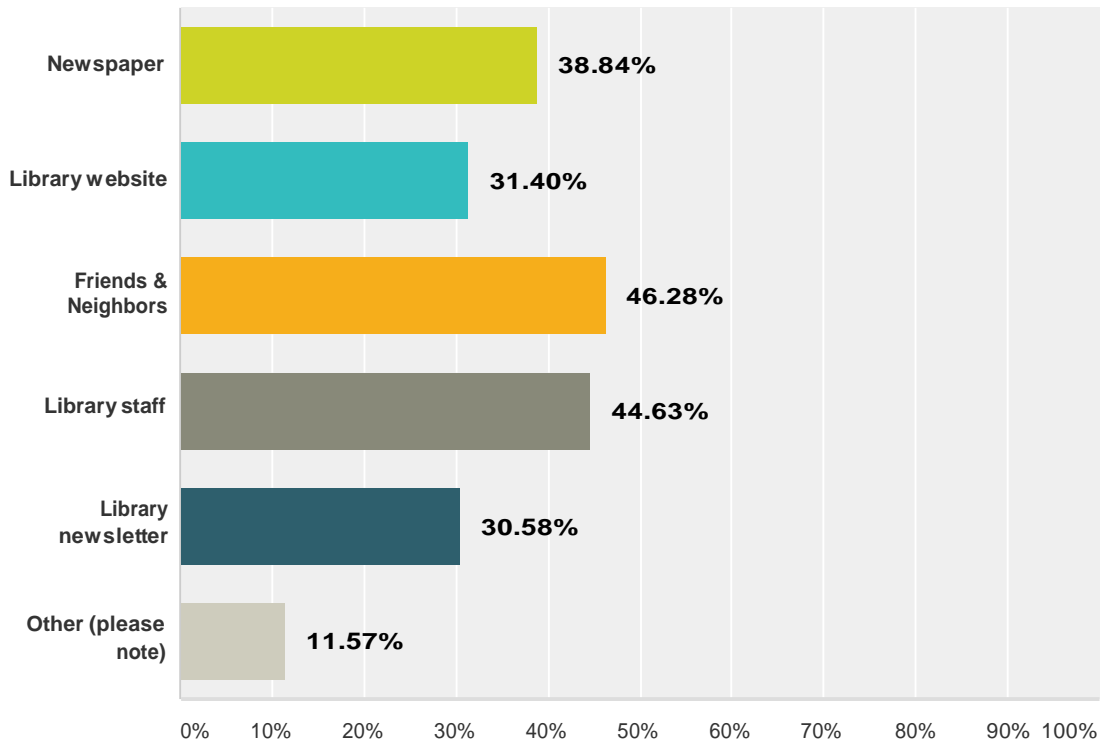
Answered: 83 Skipped: 57



Answer Choices	Responses	
Basic computer classes	7.23%	6
Assistance with Internet use	21.69%	18
Assistance with personal eReaders and other mobile devices	20.48%	17
Book delivery and/or programs for residents of assisted living facilities and nursing homes	3.61%	3
Book delivery for the homebound	3.61%	3
Adult book group and/or annual community wide reading program	21.69%	18
Children's programs (story time, summer reading)	49.40%	41
Joint programs with Crete Public Schools and St. James School	14.46%	12
Meeting space for small groups	20.48%	17
Total Respondents: 83		

## Q6 How do you find out about CPL's programs and services?

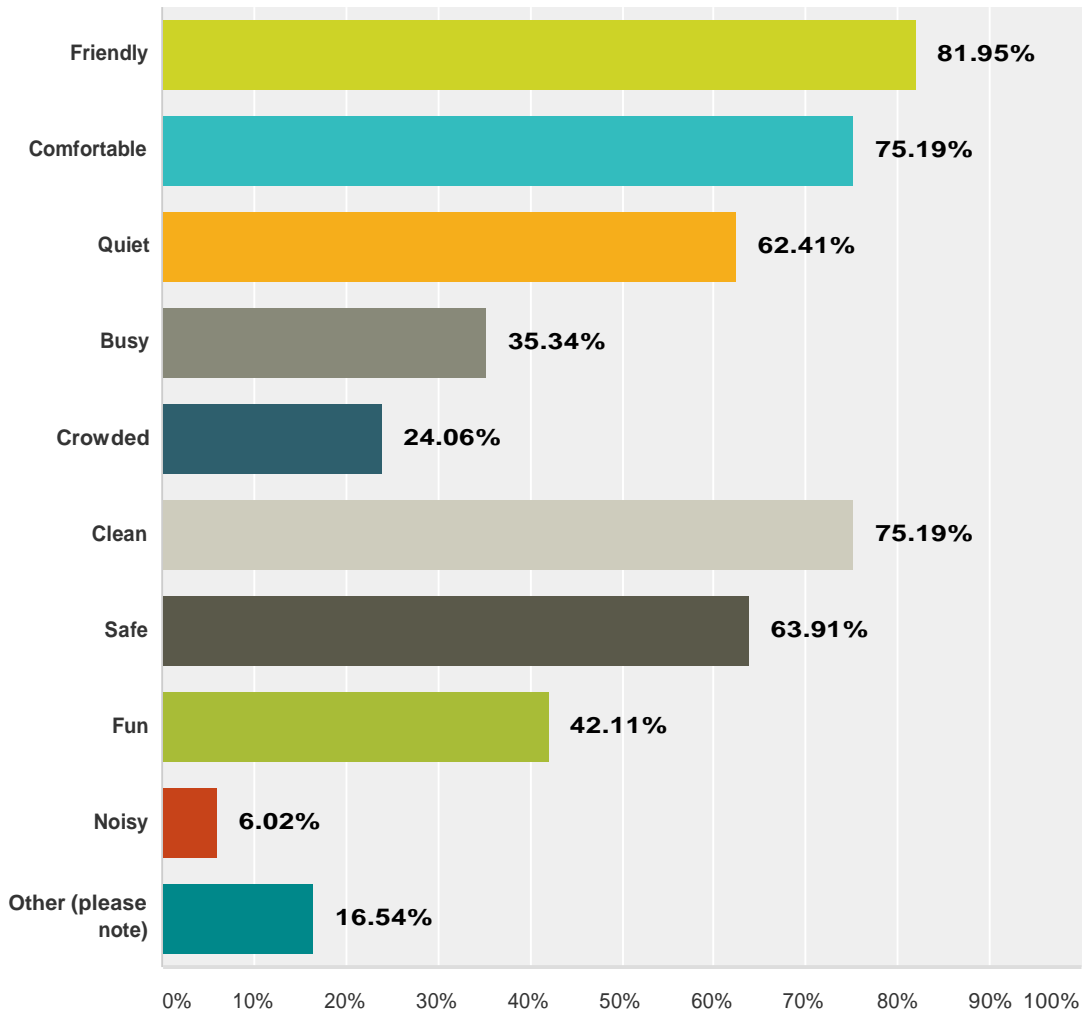
Answered: 121 Skipped: 19



Answer Choices	Responses	
Newspaper	38.84%	47
Library website	31.40%	38
Friends/Neighbors	46.28%	56
Library staff	44.63%	54
Library newsletter	30.58%	37
Other (please note)	11.57%	14
Total Respondents: 121		

## Q7 Check all items which describe the Library's atmosphere.

Answered: 133 Skipped: 7



Answer Choices	Responses
Friendly	81.95% 109
Comfortable	75.19% 100
Quiet	62.41% 83
Busy	35.34% 47
Crowded	24.06% 32
Clean	75.19% 100
Safe	63.91% 85
Fun	42.11% 56
Noisy	6.02% 8
Other (please note)	16.54% 22

Total Respondents: 133

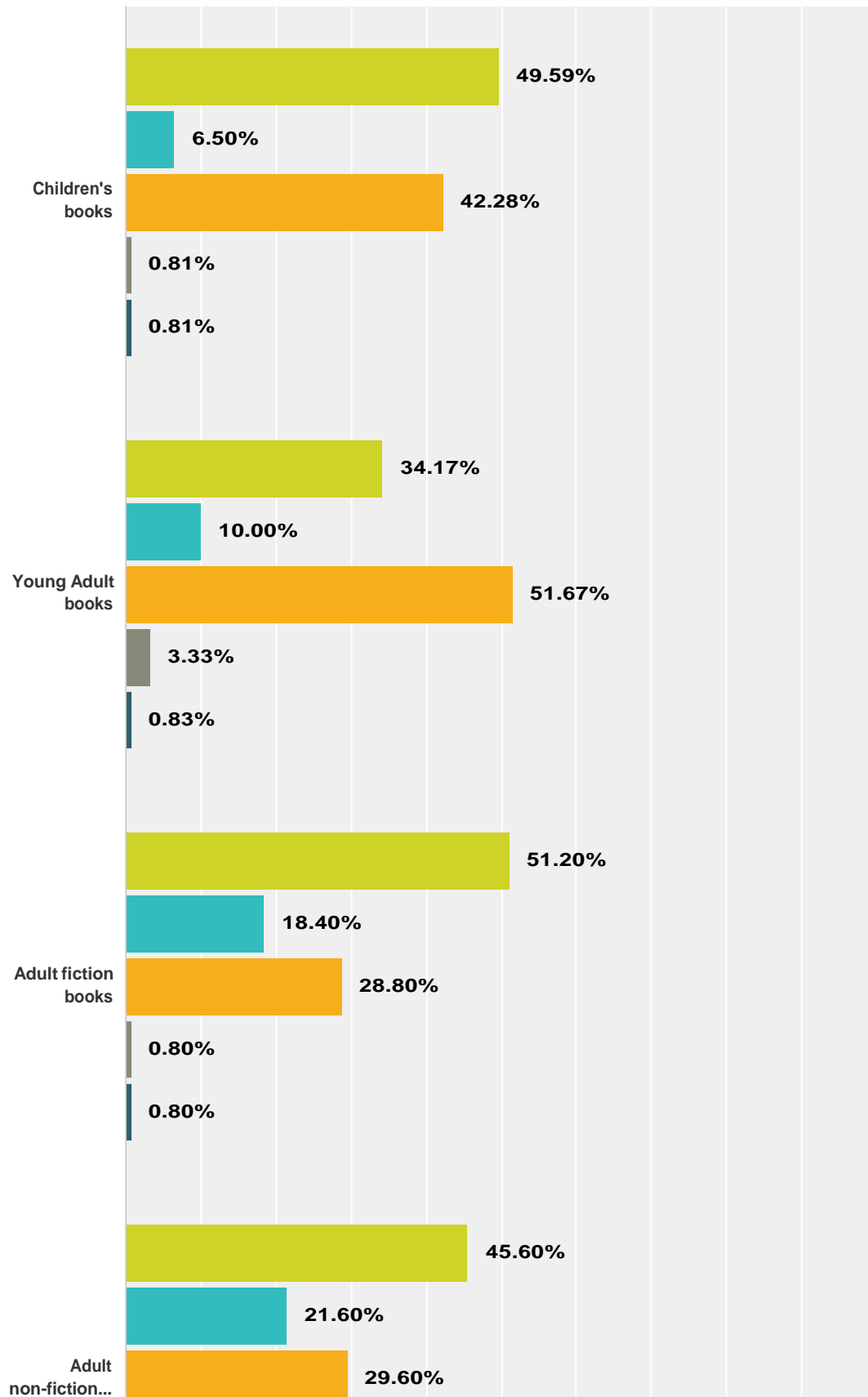


Question 7 Comments

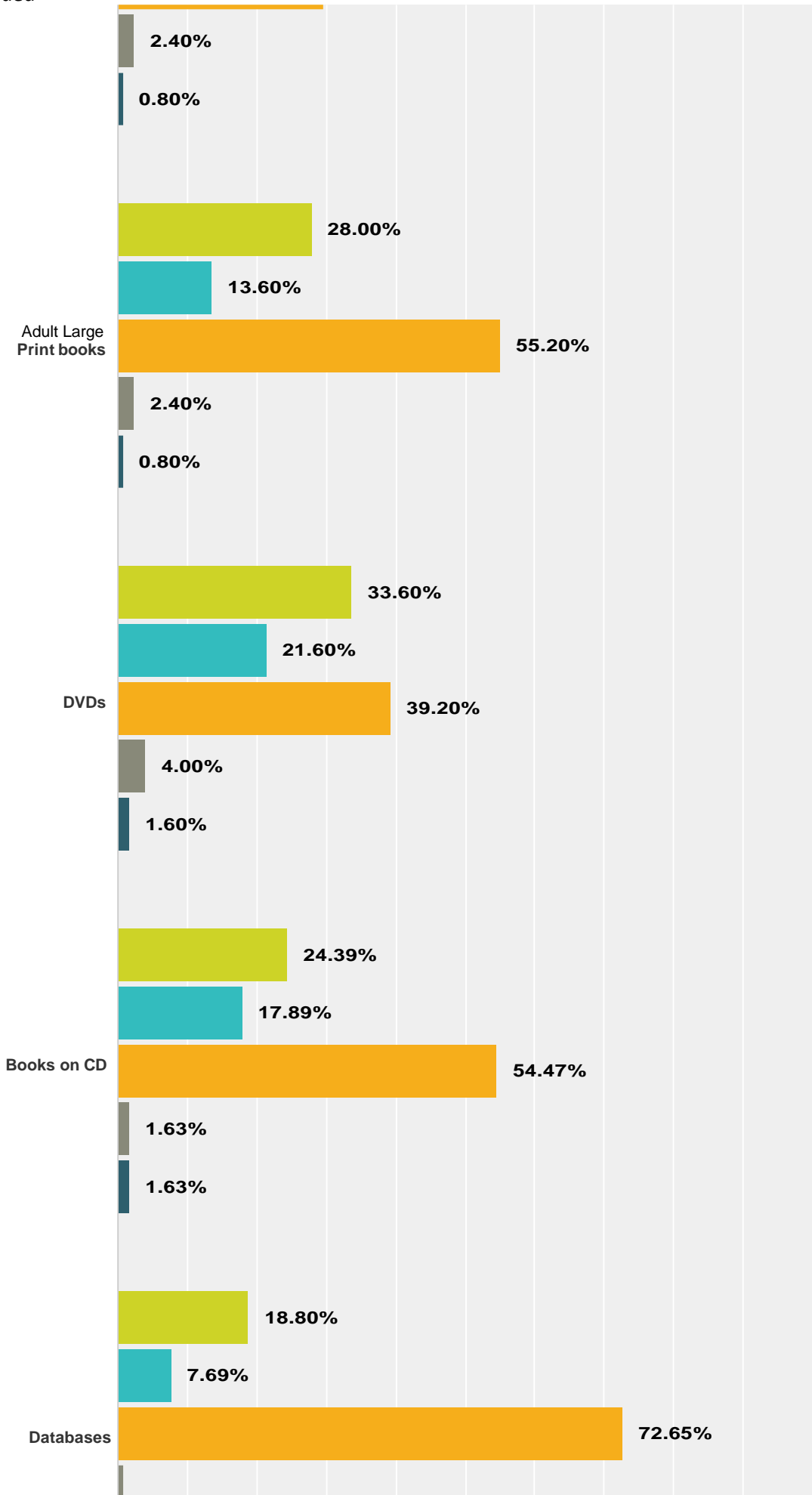
- 1 Helpful. And I like that we don't have to whisper!
- 2 Outstanding helpfulness by staff!!
- 3 Lacks adequate space for services offered
- 4 Fun - I enjoy my time spent there.
- 5 helpful
- 6 Everyone is always ready to help and very friendly.
- 7 Needs new facility.
- 8 Depends on the time of day; all of these things are great!  
I have used the library a long time - from when my children were small to my grandchildren going to  
9 children's time to now in my "older" years. What a pleasant, safe place for children.
- 10 Warm
- 11 Your staff is extremely knowledgeable.
- 12 Helpful
- 13 Helpful staff.
- 14 Out dated
- 15 Helpful
- 16 stuffy
- 17 outdated a bit, especially when you need to use the basement area
- 18 Never had a reason to go there. I utilize my iPad for reading
- 19 PERFECT THE WAY IT IS! I love the facility
- 20 DO NOT USE
- 21 The books are marketed/displayed well. Staff is knowledgeable and helpful at all times.
- 22 sufficient

## Q8 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the variety of the following resources?

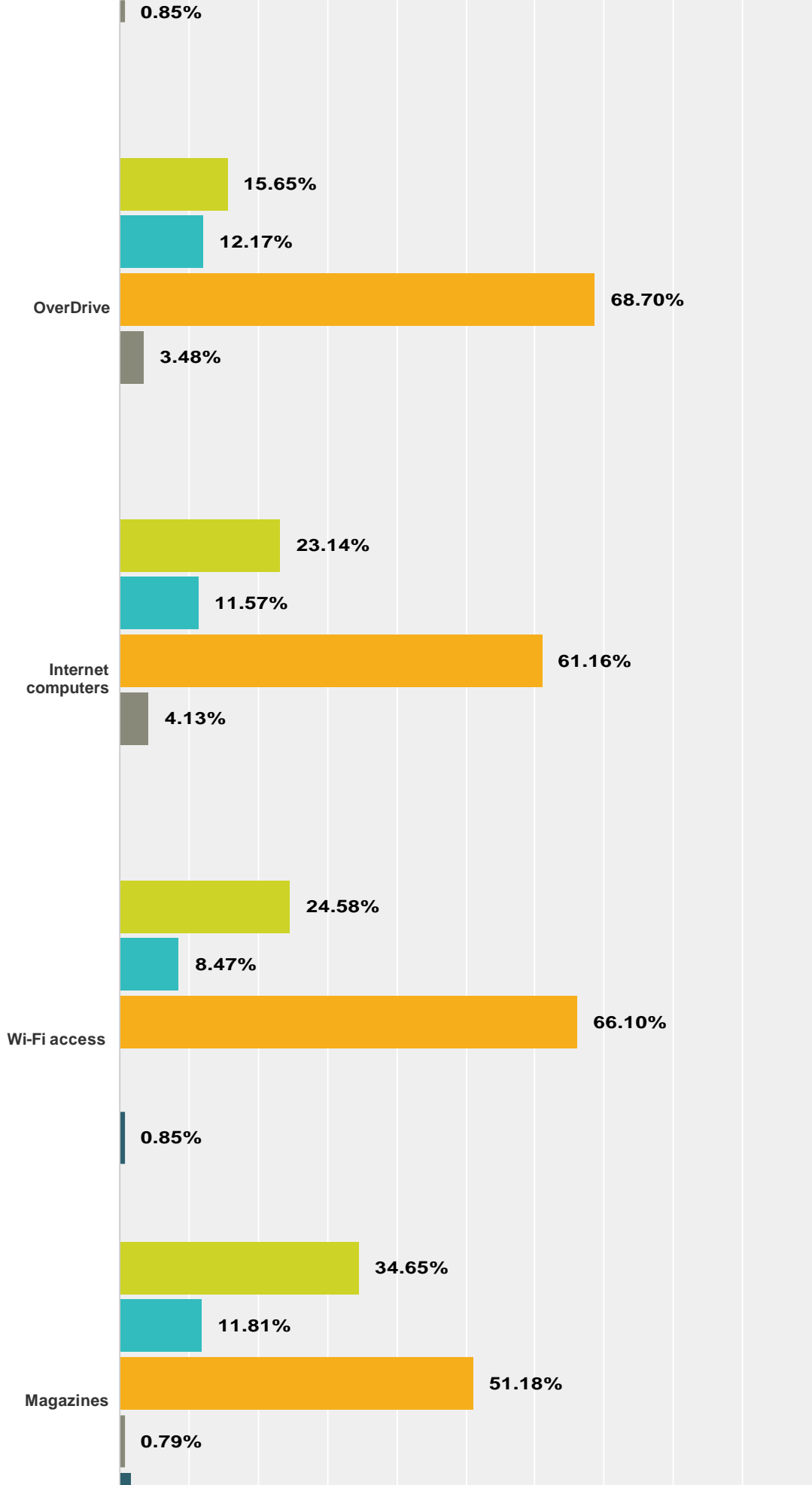
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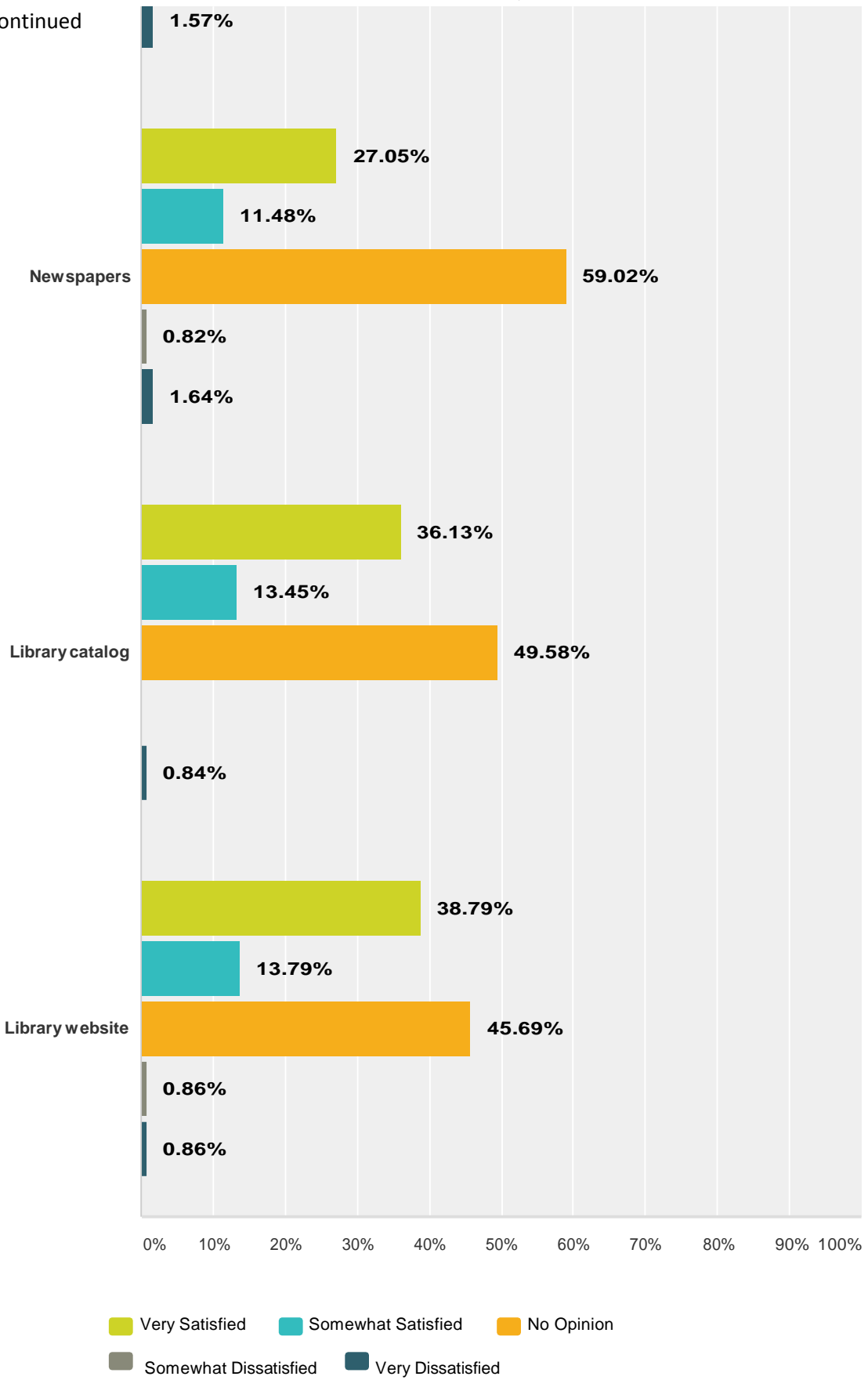


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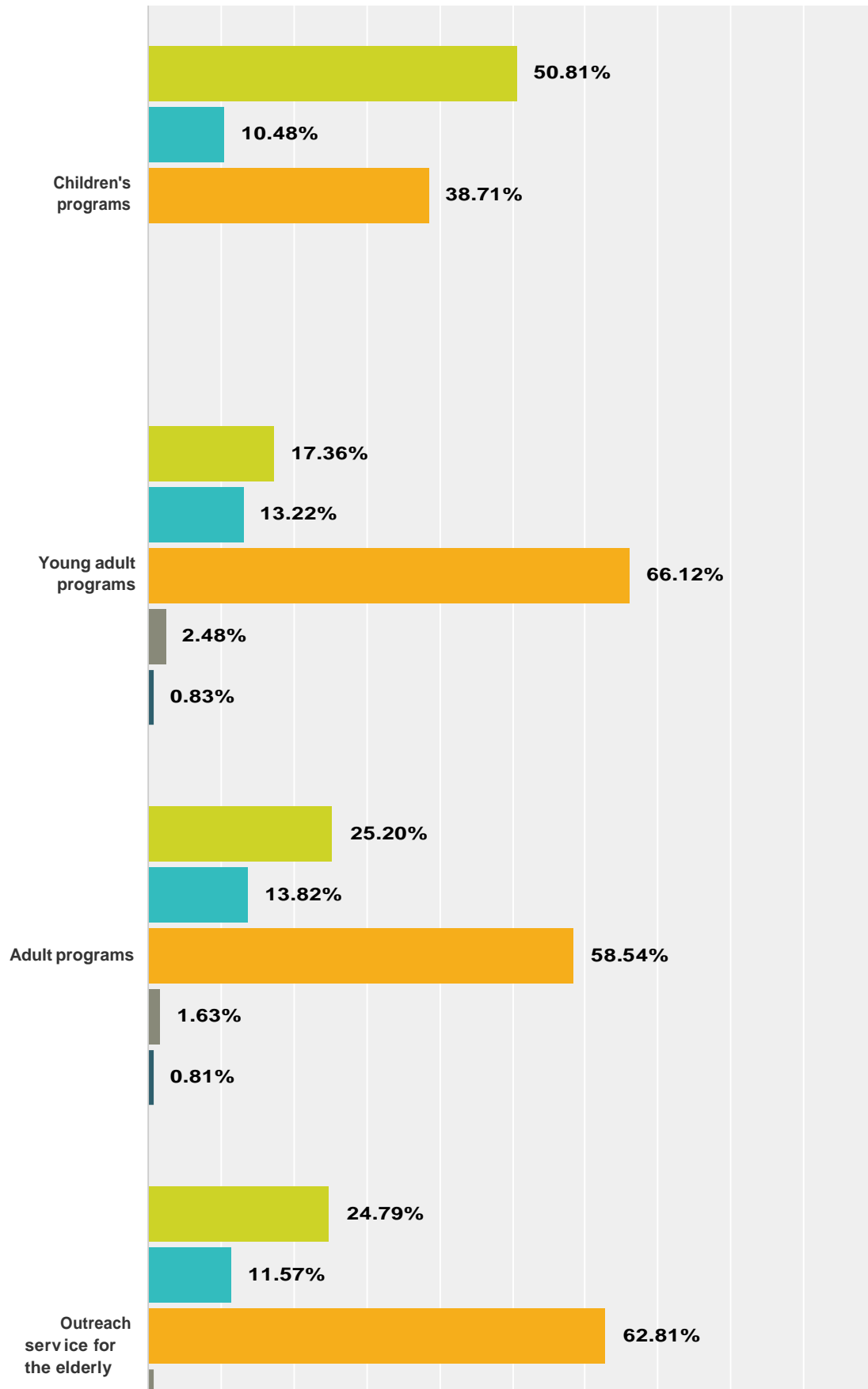
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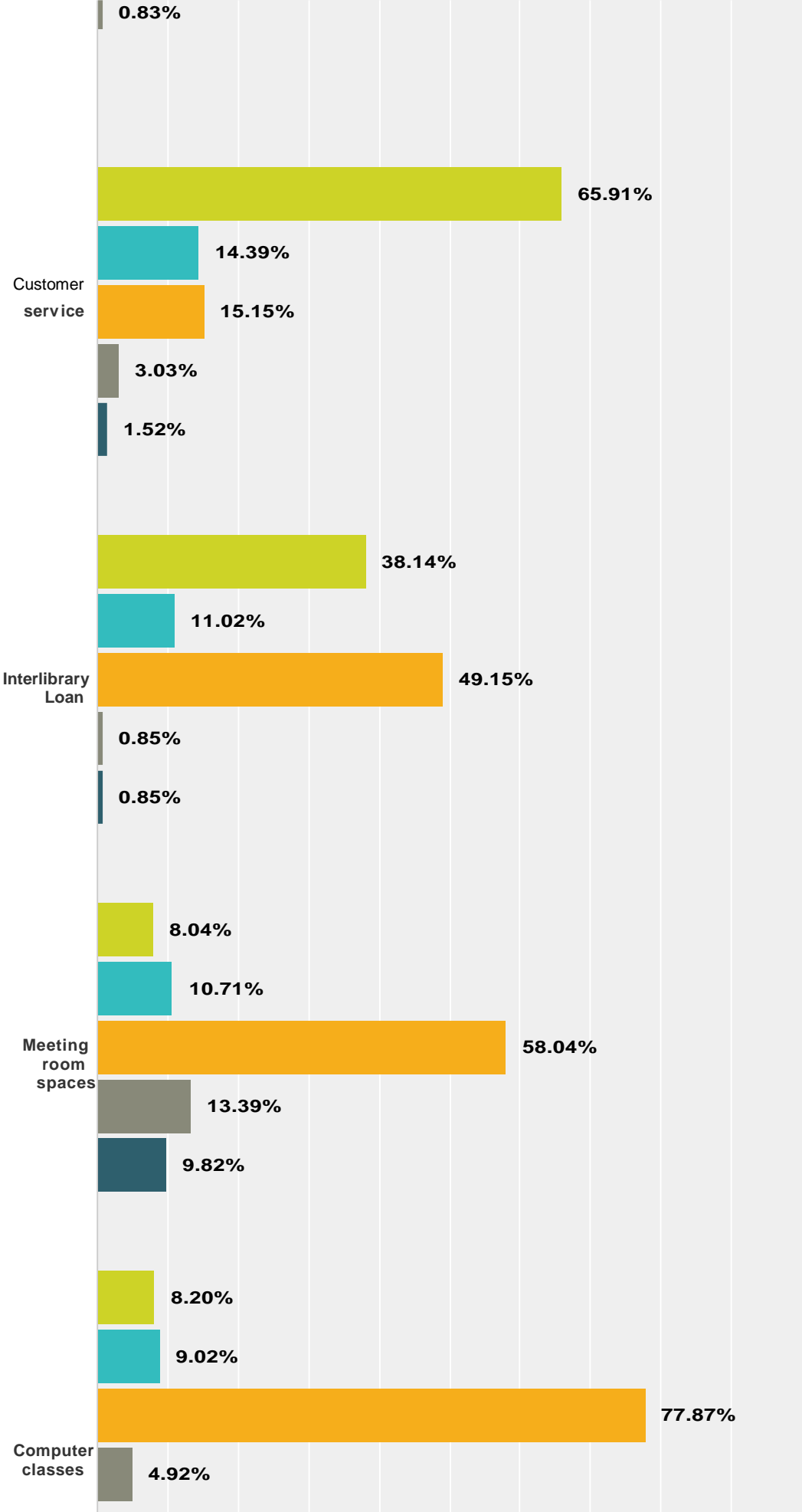
	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	No Opinion	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Total	Average Rating
Children's books	49.59% 61	6.50% 8	42.28% 52	0.81% 1	0.81% 1	123	2.46
Young Adult books	34.17% 41	10.00% 12	51.67% 62	3.33% 4	0.83% 1	120	2.61
Adult fiction books	51.20% 64	18.40% 23	28.80% 36	0.80% 1	0.80% 1	125	2.33
Adult non-fiction books	45.60% 57	21.60% 27	29.60% 37	2.40% 3	0.80% 1	125	2.37
Adult Large Print books	28.00% 35	13.60% 17	55.20% 69	2.40% 3	0.80% 1	125	2.62
DVDs	33.60% 42	21.60% 27	39.20% 49	4.00% 5	1.60% 2	125	2.52
Books on CD	24.39% 30	17.89% 22	54.47% 67	1.63% 2	1.63% 2	123	2.63
Databases (for example Mango, Ancestry Library, Ebsco)	18.80% 22	7.69% 9	72.65% 85	0.85% 1	0.00% 0	117	2.74
OverDrive (eBooks and audio books for mobile devices)	15.65% 18	12.17% 14	68.70% 79	3.48% 4	0.00% 0	115	2.76
Internet computers	23.14% 28	11.57% 14	61.16% 74	4.13% 5	0.00% 0	121	2.69
Wi-Fi access	24.58% 29	8.47% 10	66.10% 78	0.00% 0	0.85% 1	118	2.69
Magazines	34.65% 44	11.81% 15	51.18% 65	0.79% 1	1.57% 2	127	2.57
Newspapers	27.05% 33	11.48% 14	59.02% 72	0.82% 1	1.64% 2	122	2.66
Library catalog	36.13% 43	13.45% 16	49.58% 59	0.00% 0	0.84% 1	119	2.52
Library website	38.79% 45	13.79% 16	45.69% 53	0.86% 1	0.86% 1	116	2.50

## Q9 Please rate these services provided by Crete Public Library.

Answered: 132 Skipped: 8

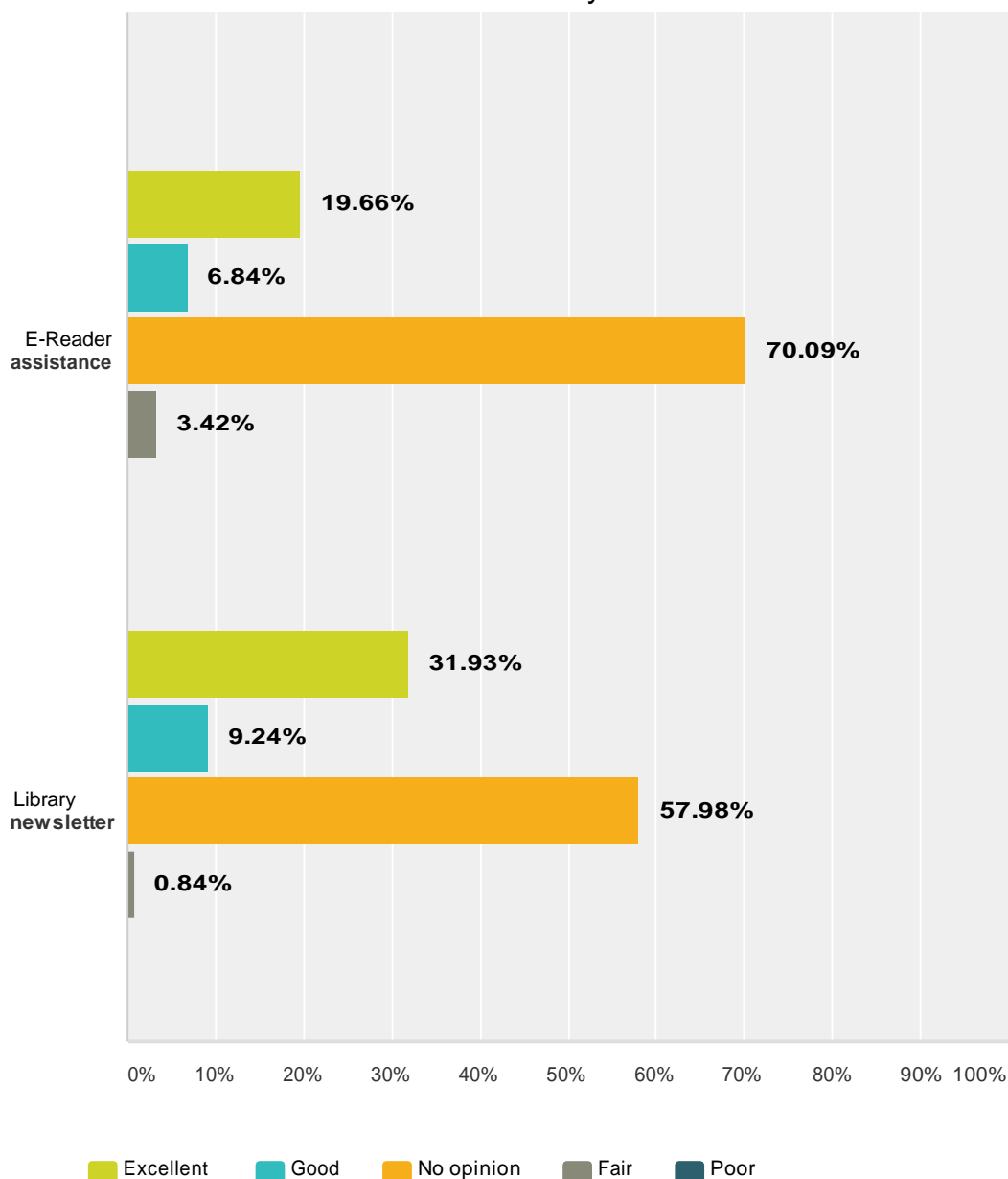


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	Excellent	Good	No opinion	Fair	Poor	Total	Average Rating
Children's programs	50.81% 63	10.48% 13	38.71% 48	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	124	2.88
Young adult programs	17.36% 21	13.22% 16	66.12% 80	2.48% 3	0.83% 1	121	3.53
Adult programs	25.20% 31	13.82% 17	58.54% 72	1.63% 2	0.81% 1	123	3.37
Outreach service for the elderly	24.79% 30	11.57% 14	62.81% 76	0.83% 1	0.00% 0	121	3.39
Customer service	65.91% 87	14.39% 19	15.15% 20	3.03% 4	1.52% 2	132	2.55
Interlibrary Loan service	38.14% 45	11.02% 13	49.15% 58	0.85% 1	0.85% 1	118	3.14
Meeting room space	8.04% 9	10.71% 12	58.04% 65	13.39% 15	9.82% 11	112	3.83
Computer classes	8.20%	9.02%	77.87%	4.92%	0.00%		

	10	11	95	6	0	122	3.75
eReader assistance	19.66% 23	6.84% 8	70.09% 82	3.42% 4	0.00% 0	117	3.54
Library newsletter	31.93% 38	9.24% 11	57.98% 69	0.84% 1	0.00% 0	119	3.27

### Q10 Are there new services and resources the library should consider?

Answered: 32 Skipped: 108

#### Question 10 Comments

- 1 None that I know of.
- 2 Inter City Library loan threw Lincoln
- 3 More access for handicapped.  
Classes to education Crete community about services offered and use of available services offered, and meet needs of community citizens in the future.
- 4 offered, and meet needs of community citizens in the future.
- 5 More room for more books
- 6 Not sure.
- 7 More computers More \$
- 8 Yes, I would like a reading program throughout the year.
- 9 More room, more books, more seats, really needs more space.
- 10 Not at the present. A new facility and more staff would be needed.
- 11 Bigger meeting rooms.  
Have professional based in Law on the side. I know I at least could definitel use legal advice a lot of the time.
- 12 of the time.
- 13 None I can think of. Need more space.
- 14 More accessable and nicer meeting room space. Better parking facilities.
- 15 Teen night/movies
- 16 I would love to have access to music/CDs  
I wish there are more books, dvds, and books on CD's that are classics and are more educated material for a young homeschool boy.
- 17 material for a young homeschool boy.
- 18 They cover everything. I'm the one that needs to update!
- 19 Additional computer classes. More computer space and parking space.
- 20 Expand the existing programs in ways the facility can't accommodate currently.
- 21 No opinion
- 22 MORE SPACE, HANDICAP ACCESS
- 23 more computer clases
- 24 MORE COMPUTER CLASSES, CONSIDER GIVING STORY TIME IN SPANISH
- 25 No
- 26 More open areas, user friendlier spaces
- 27 Just being cognizant of the technology and staying current in that regard. (internet cafes, etc.)  
I think there is usable space in the basement that the Library should take advantage of. Possibly moving all children's items into the lower level.
- 28 moving all children's items into the lower level.
- 29 More evening hours.

Question 10 Comments Continued

With additional space, I believe the library could have more of a bookstore atmosphere with coffee/drinks. A place for all ages to meet casually and socialize as well as check out books.

30 Having one or two meeting rooms would be valuable to the entire community.

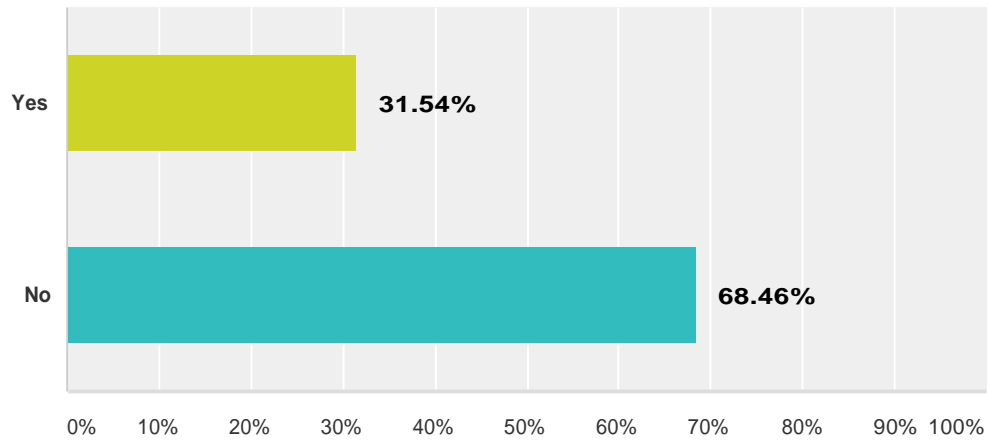
31 Open in evening and longer on weekends when people who work can use the facility.

Different meeting spaces, there are often groups of kids who seem to be needing a space to just

32 hang out, sometimes they are distracting to adults trying to work on something.

# **Q11 In your opinion, does the current library facility space meet the needs of the Crete Community?**

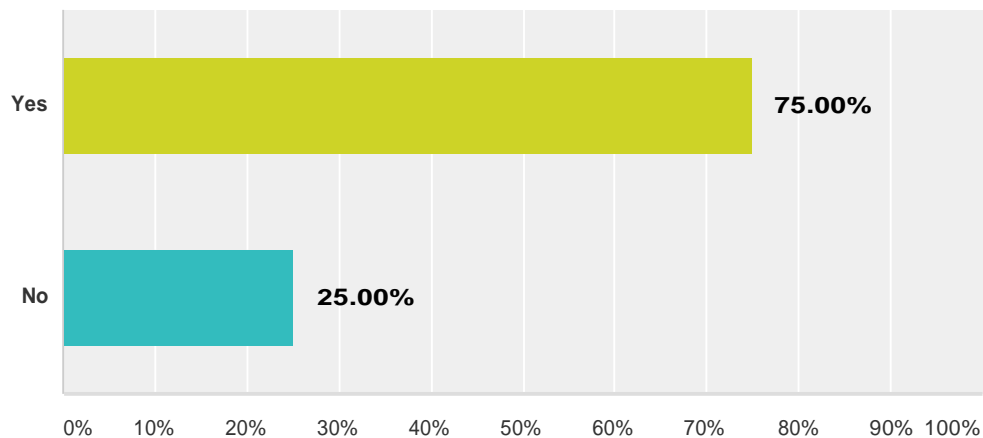
Answered: 130 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	31.54%	41
No	68.46%	89
<b>Total</b>		<b>130</b>

**Q12 The Crete Public Library Board has been working toward a new, more spacious and efficient library facility. The current facility is 8,440 sq. ft. The proposed new facility would nearly double that size, providing a computer lab, space for children's programs, small meeting rooms, a large community room with a kitchen and a drive up service window. Have you seen the preliminary plans? They are available at the library and on the library's website: [www.crete-ne.gov/library.bldg](http://www.crete-ne.gov/library.bldg)**

Answered: 132 Skipped: 8



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	75.00%	99
No	25.00%	33
<b>Total</b>		<b>132</b>

#### Question 12 Comments

- 1 I like the larger kids area  
I think the present library is wonderful. It looks like you are trying to make it even more wonderful
- 2 meeting the community needs.
- 3 Excellent!  
Though I do not use the library often, it is a resource that is needed in Crete to serve the public. A good library stands out in a community and indicates that a community is progressive and
- 4 provides needed services to it's population.  
The Crete Library is a wonderful place but there are drawbacks to the current site. They are very over-crowded at the present time, the location of the building causes a problem for getting into
- 5 the building.
- 6 I think this would be a wonderful addition to the Library & Crete
- 7 This vision needs to and must become a reality for our community's future!

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### Question 12 Comments Continued

- 8 They look like the very thing that the city of Crete needs to meet the changing needs of all of our citizens.
- 9 The current plans adequately address future and current needs with room for growth.
- 10 Looks good
- 11 They look wonderfully exciting!
- 12 Looks nice - very needed.
- I highly support the project. The community needs a bigger space to meet the needs. Like bigger
- 13 meeting rooms.
- 14 Like the extra community rooms & more space.
- I like them a lot. It would open up space for more programs, make programs easier/not so
- 15 crowded. Nice layout & design.
- 16 Great concept! Great location. Love the public meeting space and comp. class/lab.
- 17 They seem to be really nice plans.
- They have been well thought out and should serve the community very well. It brings space for
- 18 the library activities as well as needed room for community meetings.
- 19 It is needed!
- 20 I like them.
- 21 Over all seems very well designed.
- WE have always been patrons of the library (before kids and as a family with kids). We currently attend library story time on a weekly basis. During that time, the library is a bustling place. However, it is also crowded w/ the kids using the small downstairs space and the Moms using the Nebraska room. There is also no adequate bathrooms during this time (no warm water, not changing tables for infants.)
- 22
- 23 I really like to goal for a new facility.
- 24 I think it's a great thing to do. Our kids would enjoy going to the Library more.
- I think its a great idea. The drive up window would be odd and would take away personal
- 25 contact though.
- 26 Looks okay, but are we looking to the future. Are we building big enough.
- 27 This would be a needed improvement to the Crete community.
- 28 Very nicely organized space.
- 29 Is look beautifyl from outside and inside. And I think it will pick up the looks of Crete.
- 30 It would help so many people in the community.
- The facility in the plans would make many things easy that are impossible or near impossible in the old facility; it would be wired for computers and other modern technology, it would be set up for ease of use for both patrons and staff. It has nice facilities for community and library use, and it has many more advantages over the current library.
- 31
- 32 Need more space for books.
- 33 I think the city of Crete needs a new library. Many people will benefit from new programs.
- I think that the plans show a lot more room for customers. I also see more private spaces for
- 34 customers to have study groups or work on their own personal computers.
- 35 Looks great. Very accessible.
- 36 Move forward for a new facility even if taxes increase.
- 37 Looks to be very efficient but maybe a bit large.
- I would hope the "community room" is a very welcoming space for all. And a space to host
- 38 special school events, like the Quiz Bowl or Reading Classic competitions.
- 39 IT would enhance Crete and the library surroundings immensely. We need this for all citizens.
- 40 They would be a real asset to the community.

41 Need to study plans for better opinion.

I like them I think the inclusion of a space the community can use is a very good idea. I think  
42 staying in the City Park area is very important.

Library does as much as possible with space they have. Room is needed to expand activities.  
43 Building plans are great!

44 The plans look good. I like the meeting rooms and drive up service window.

45 A bit overboard

Think the new plan addresses the problems the library has now - making it accessible to  
46 everybody, community space and space for library programs.

47 Too large and extravagant. What is the price tag for this proposal?

48 GET STARTED ALREADY!!!!

I'm opposed to the location. Don't like it taking the City Park. I believe we need the green space.  
The location also doesn't provide off street parking. I believe we should do this correctly and  
plan accordingly. Could the City look at the block between the park and the school. Use half the  
49 block for parking and half the block for the library. Keeping City park the same.

I hope the new library will be built with future expansion in mind. I also like the idea of having  
50 more space for the growing population and needs of the library.

51 I like it.

52 They are great, when do we get this library

IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE IF IT WAS A TWO LEVEL SO KIDS COULD BE IN ONE AND  
ADULTS IN THE OTHER CONSIDERING ADULTS WANT A LITTLE MORE OF A QUIET  
53 PLACE TO RELAX AND READ.

Plans look great and I really like the small meeting rooms and large community room. Both of  
54 these items are greatly needed in our community.

55 do not need a library of this size

The current library is sufficient. Technology bases media such as iPad, kindles and other  
56 wireless devices are utilized more and more.

57 In the age of technology, not sure why you need to double the size of the library?

I'm excited about Crete getting a new, bigger, better library! We really need meeting rooms and  
58 community space and a facility that elderly or handicapped individuals can use!

The community of Crete does NOT need a new library. The evaluation of a library in today's day  
and age is VERY different than it use to be. If you do anything get rid of the stuff that gets very  
59 little use and incorporate more technology.

60 You have a TYPO in the above question.

61 I think it would be beneficial for our community to expand the library.

62 I think having a larger library will be good for the community.

The proposed plan is overbuilt. I do not see a need. I feel a collaborative project with the school  
63 would be a better use of resources and tax dollars.

64 I am not sure the cost would be justified.

65 spacious and forward thinking.

I think a new library would be a nice addition to the Crete community at a similar size facility . I  
find it distasteful that the city can't take care of/ update the services that they offer without  
increasing tax revenue. For example the city runs the city pool. They continually let it run down  
over the years (not putting money back into it). Community members started going to Wilber.  
Then they had to increase taxes to do drastic though nice improvements. I just hope they keep  
with the maintenance now. Dont let the Library go, the city needs to set money aside every year  
66 to build a new building.

67 DO NOT NEED

68 overkill

69 Much needed!

I think the new space would be great! I love the new computer lab and new space for children's programs.

70

Extravagance over functionality. The person who wrote the question needs to proofread their writing better.

71

I have a favorable outlook to the new building.

72

More than is needed.

73

Too extravagant.

74

I think they are well thought out and reasonable for a city the size of Crete. It seems to have something for the entire community.

75

I don't like the idea of consuming green space in City park with a larger facility and parking.

76

The world does not revolve around the library. The project is a bad idea gone too far. If the staff would spend as much time being innovative with there space as they do pitching plans and LOBBYING the complaints of the current facility would solve themselves.

77

Looks great! We have been big library users since moving to the area 10 years ago, the children's programs have overrun the library for years. I love that the library is small and friendly and has a good selection, I have used other small town library's and found them disappointing. It was obvious the person ordering books loved romance novels and immigrant history. If you weren't interested in those topics, too bad. I have loved that I have asked for a book, been told you don't have it, but it will be added to the order list and should be there in a few weeks.

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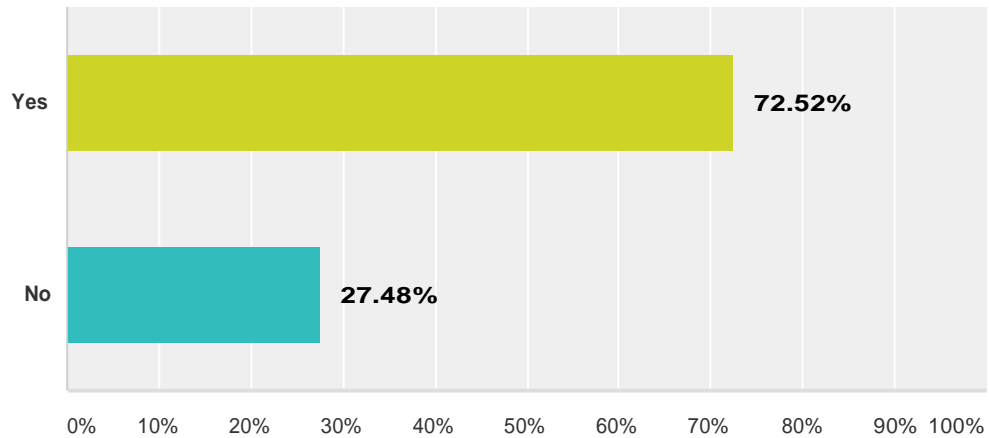
in my opinion you seem to have thought of everything. this would seem to be an excellent facility.

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**Q13 One of the locations being considered for a new library facility is the southwest corner of City Park. The current library facility would be removed and that area would become park space. In your opinion, is City Park an appropriate location for a new library facility?**

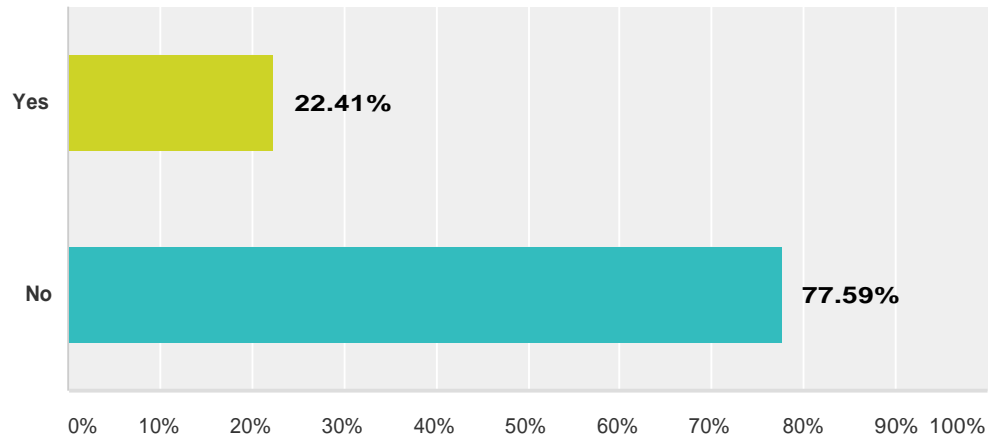
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	72.52%	95
No	27.48%	36
<b>Total</b>		<b>131</b>

### Q14 Do you have suggestions for other potential locations? If so, please provide.

Answered: 116 Skipped: 24



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	22.41%	26
No	77.59%	90
<b>Total</b>		<b>116</b>

#### Question 14 Comments

- 1 I like what has been proposed for the site.
- 2 Tear down the Wanek Community Center and combine the two on that location with surround lots.
- 3 Not at this time. Central location important.
- 4 Tuxedo park
- 5 I am not sure.
- 6 Shopko would be better.
- 7 Land behind Wanek's old store.
- 8 Not at this time.
- 9 Keep it downtown!

10 Since, three of the Crete Public School buildings will be located near Iris Ave, an alternate site near the schools might be ideal.

11 Certainly there are other areas that could work for the library. It seems you are taking the easy way to find an area that works.

12 Either of the two blocks between Elementary School and City Park. 11th to 12th, and Juniper to Linden. How about the block between Norman and Oak, 11th to 12th? It would be in the downtown area. Having enough parking is key to any location. We need to plan for off street parking. How do most of the patrons get to the Library? Does it need to be downtown? Maybe it could be located near the new Musuem and they share a parking lot. Build a tall clock tower so it can be seen from the highway.

13 Any place either within city limits or adjacent to city limits. If it's a good facility, people will go to where it is.

14 Perhaps on main street to help revitalize downtown.

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### Question 14 Comments Continued

15 Not sure of specific locations, but anywhere that the public library could be partnered with any other family-centered space (school, rec center, etc). I feel there is a greater need to provide a space that is more comprehensive in the services it could give.

16 Don't move from the existing location. You have a beautiful building along a street with the highest traffic count in town. Why would you want to move???

17 Buy the houses on Juniper between 12th & 13th (south of the Methodist Church) and build the new library in that space. Parking could be reconfigured so that it is shared between the park and the new library building.

18 I feel that the library should consider purchasing the dilapidated house to the east of the current facility and expand the library floor plan in that direction... If the concerns are utilities then upgrade to a geo thermal system.... Spending millions of dollars on a new facility is excessive. I would like to see a more frugal plan of renovation. Or, give me a choice with option 1 a rehabilitation and option 2 a new facility.

19 I have not thought about alternative locations. I thought it was a done deal with the city planners.

20 By the school

21 Either where the current library is or up near the new high school site.

22 The area to the south of the park currently only contains blighted houses and a library there would improve the whole downtown.

23 HIGHSCHOOL

24 high school

25 Something close to the elementary school would be good, don't have anywhere specific in mind. It would be better to move south toward the school than to have to move the park close to the highway. The library is typically a "destination", you don't just go to the library because you're shopping downtown. You go to the library because you wanted to go to the library, therefore, people would go no matter where in tons it was, in my opinion.

26 Just west of the Middle School and current High School. Somewhere close to the new High School location.

27 Where it is located now.

28 With the school.

29 Anywhere other than parks.

30 Toward the east might be an option.

31 With the schools.

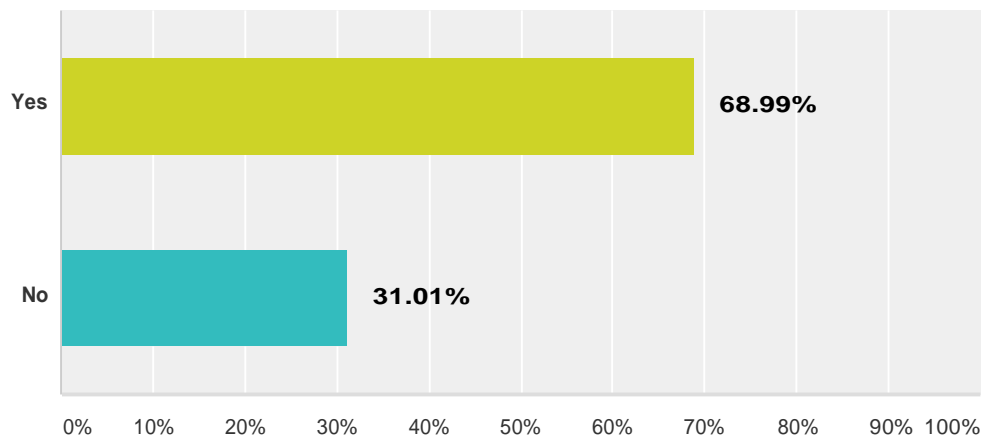
32 Please keep the current location and become more efficient with the space.

33 Near the new high school? I like the center of town better though.

34 The proposed new library location is fine. The city park could be somewhere else. The old library building should be kept also.

**Q15 Various funding options for a new library facility have been explored in conjunction with the City of Crete Administration. Along with fundraising, the most recent option considered is LB 357. This state of Nebraska statute provides an opportunity to fund public infrastructure projects with a 1/2 percent increase in local sales tax. To move forward, the city of Crete would need to form an interlocal agreement with another political subdivision in Saline County. Next, the issue of LB 357 would be considered by the Crete City Council. If approved by the Council, the issue would be placed on the November 2014 ballot. Residents of Crete would make the decision whether to fund a new library facility with an increase in sales tax or not. If approved by Crete voters, this sales tax increase would be collected only during the life of the project. Would you be interested in supporting a 1/2 percent increase in local sales tax to fund the construction of a new public library facility?**

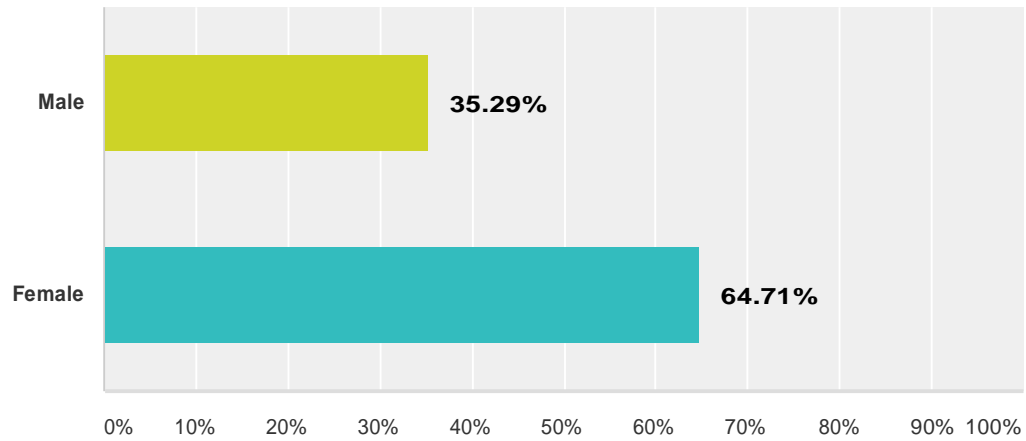
Answered: 129 Skipped: 11



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	68.99%	89
No	31.01%	40
<b>Total</b>		<b>129</b>

### Q16 For statistical purposes, please complete the following demographic data.

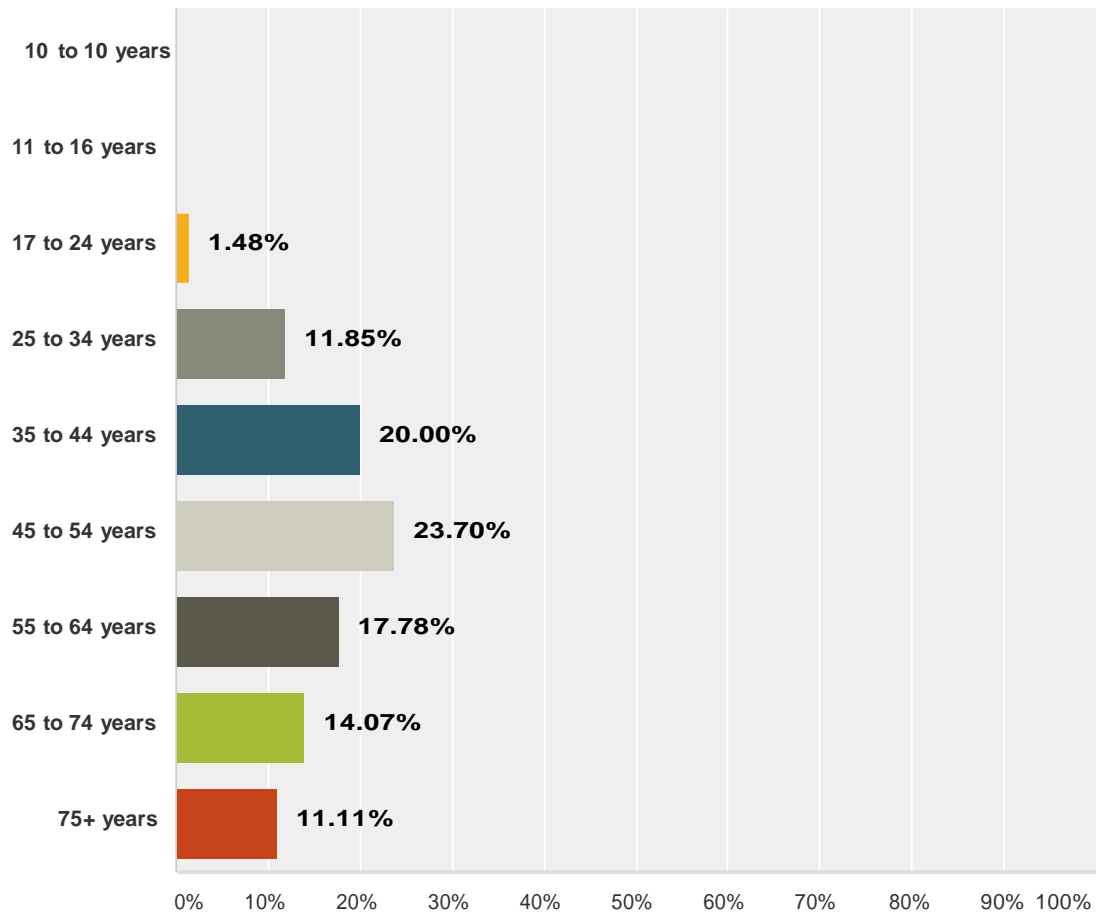
Answered: 136 Skipped: 4



Answer Choices	Responses	
Male	35.29%	48
Female	64.71%	88
<b>Total</b>		<b>136</b>

## Q17 Age of respondent

Answered: 135 Skipped: 5



Answer Choices	Responses
10 to 10 years	0.00% 0
11 to 16 years	0.00% 0
17 to 24 years	1.48% 2
25 to 34 years	11.85% 16
35 to 44 years	20.00% 27
45 to 54 years	23.70% 32
55 to 64 years	17.78% 24
65 to 74 years	14.07% 19
75+ years	11.11% 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>135</b>

**Q18 Thank you for completing this survey!  
The Library Board and staff appreciate it.  
Please provide any other comments you  
might have.**

Answered: 50 Skipped: 90

Question 18 – Comments

1 I appreciate what the city of Crete library does for us in Crete, especially for our kids. We need to renew  
2 Crete library. Our community is growing up.

3 A larger library in Crete is needed. When I have used the library, I have found it a friendly place - and  
4 very helpful. The services are good but space in the library is very limited. My belief is that if the space  
5 was available, more use would be made of the library.

6 I love the Crete library and the staff. It's a happy place and all the staff are helpful. Lisa goes out of her  
7 way to help you and find you anything you need and her staff does the same.

8 Wonderful library - use it a lot for books, CD's - not much else but did when girls were young.

9 Hang in there!! I'm spraying gold paint on a new shovel so I can dig the footings myself! We're going to  
10 "GET ER DONE!"

11 Lets get a new library building NOW!!!

12 Please keep community updated, informed and aware via newspaper, mailings. This is an issue that has  
13 the potential at improving our community demographic needs.

14 I love the library - thank you for everything!

15 I think the library is more imp't than a rec. center

16 It is a great project, hope it doesn't take too long until they decide what to do.

17 Keep up the great work!

18 Crete has an amazing library & staff. Programs are hampered by the limited access & space.

19 I believe we need larger building. Our librarians do a super job. Listen to them.

20 The library staff does an excellent job and it would only be better with more working space and more  
21 opportunities to help patrons. We need a new library!!

22 We appreciate the hard work and helpfulness of the library staff.

23 Great goal!

I come to the library all the time and love it as it is a bigger space wouldn't be bad but completely  
changing it would be hard.

Have other funding options been looked at. What kind of fundraisers have been looked at. Would the  
1/2 sales tax be on just Crete or entire County. You mentioned life of project. How long is the life.

Regarding my ratings in sections 8 & 9: low because of lack of space to provide for these areas. I believe  
that a modern library facility can be the heart of our community, where people can gather together, to  
learn and grow. We need a new library!

Thank you for thinking of the community of Crete. I thank you very much.

Great service - great assets. Wonderful employees.

A good library is very important to a city. It is also a key item in helping schools, business, etc. to attract  
quality employees, and in attracting new businesses to Crete. And it is a key item in providing a high  
quality life for the people here. A new facility would greatly enhance the attraction of the library. A new  
library has been a long time coming and we need to get this done now.

Laura R. is an awesome youth teacher.

## Crete Public Library

### Question 18 Comments Continued

Crete needs a new larger library. Also needs a bigger meeting room for the community. Our Crete downtown needs a face lift but keep our library the focal point in our park - safe, clean, educational and a great place to meet. It is an asset to our community.

I hope Crete builds a new library for the community.

I love our local library! I brag up the service, the children's programs etc. Everyone is so friendly and helpful. I wish there was more space to have more books and other media and I would like it more handicap friendly. My mom can't do stairs and the current elevator system isn't as user friendly as a regular elevator system.

#15 - I do not know - we just saw a 1/2 percent increase the past two months for the school bond that was just passed.

As I get older and the world keeps getting more data based, I need the Library to help duds like me into the present world!! We miss so much not taking advantage of what the Library offers even now.

Good job! I enjoy visiting the library and using the services. Thanks to you!

I think the library is a place that many different people come together, and this is good! And important.

Good luck!

I appreciate the library and intend to spend quality time there when I retire!

Putting something in Crete News also for helping out in the outreach programs and letting the citizens know what has been going on and who can help out.

My use is not a measure of the community need for a bigger library - the staff serves beyond what one should expect considering its size and the facility they work with. The community should and could do better!

The library is very important for the individuals in our community and for the community as a whole. Our Library has done a great job of adjusting to the changing needs of its patrons and the appropriate use of new technologies. More space would enable its great staff to do even more.

I do not think it is a good idea at this time to add more to our budget.

I believe a good library is an important community asset. All community assets need to be cared for and prioritized. New schools and utility infrastructure is being built right now. A new library should be on the list in order of need. I believe the Crete Library offers good services and needed children's programs. We need to make the current building work until the community sees the need for a new building and can afford it.

I wouldn't be able to vote for sales tax increase because I am not a resident of Crete. I live outside the city limits.

A better funding may be property tax. A library benefits the residents of the town. Does the average resident of Crete spend their money in Crete? It could be a tax on those that have limited budget and limited access to "driving to Lincoln" Proportionally I don't believe Sales Tax is a fair way to collect the funds needed from the residents of Crete. Property Tax makes more sense.

We live between Milford & Crete but use your library quite a bit because it is so good. But I don't feel comfortable answering some of these questions because it doesn't pertain to our family. ie tax increases & such....

The current library is a very welcoming facility, staff is great but when I have been in there it is busy, noisy for a library and seems a bit cramped.

If we want to see Crete grow and prosper, I believe a more up-to-date and accessible library is necessary.



Question 18 Comments Continued

There are so many things this community could use. To increase our sales tax to build something that already meets the needs of the community is not helping the City of Crete move forward. If anything it would be a lateral move. A lot of time and effort has been invested in identifying the priority needs of the communitiy. Never have I heard, "if we are going to become a better community it starts with building a new library." I respect the desire of those on the Library Board to pursue feedback on the issue, but in my opinion, and those I associate with, a new library is not what is best for Crete at this time.

.5 PERCENT SALES TAX WOULD NOT BE GOOD FOR OUR COMMUNITY PEOPLE WILL LEAVE TOWN AND BUY ELSEWHERE FOR THAT .5 PERCENT.

Don't other communities fundraise with private donations?

Keep the library out of our parks.

Why not include the proposed cost? Was this omitted intentionally?

A library is just as relevant now as it ever has been. It is a disservice to future generations if we do not try for the best possible building and services.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to oppose the library's proposed plans. In trying to do this in the past, staff is condescending and disrespectful. I am disappointed that it wasn't mentioned the new structure would cost over 5 million.

Keep up the good work.